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A. Selection and training of an HVL Officer.

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1. Seventy per cent of the Luftpolizei Officers came from the HVA, and 60% of these from Pinnaw. The remaining 30% are from civilian life.

2. HVA Officer-Cadets.

The first Luftpolizei Officers were selected from the HVA Offices by a Russian Commission and were then posted to Gressenhain. From there they were secretly taken by truck via Frankfurt/Oder to Pinnaw. There they were examined by a Russian medical board and in May 1952 the officers were sent to one of the following units:

- (a) HVL Johannistal
- (b) Kamenz I (Ground training)
- (c) Kamenz II (Flying training)
- (d) Bautzen
- (e) Pirna and
- (f) about a 100, who went to the USSR.

## 3. Cadets from civilian life were taken from one of the following groups:

- (a) Those who were to become political officers, nearly all of whom came from a politically responsible position.
- (b) Instructors or specialist officers. Nearly all of these were ex-Wehrmacht officers.

These cadets reported first to Gressenhain and from there to HVL Johannistal where they received posting orders to one of the Luftpolizei/Luftpolizei units.

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**B. Enrolment and training of HVL Airmen trainees.**

1. The trainees all came from civilian life, except for about 10% who came from the HVA offices.

2. Trainees from civilian life are selected by one of the following means:

- (a) recruiting
- (b) by order of the Party
- (c) volunteering.

**3. Recruitment.**

- (a) The recruiting teams are usually 4-5 in number: a police officer, an SPD Party member, a member of the FDJ and 1 or 2 other "sound" officials.
- (b) The recruiting officers look firstly for people who are already conspicuous for good political work.
- (c) Recruits should be, where possible, from workers and peasant classes, or politically unprejudiced students.
- (d) They must have no previous criminal convictions: this only applies to the Luftpolizei.
- (e) Very few questions are asked on their knowledge or ability. Many promises are made during the recruiting, which in practice are impossible to keep, for example, not more than three men to a room, easy chairs and other amenities.

**4. Party Orders.**

Party orders can be given by any of the following:

- (a) Factory group (Betriebsgruppe)
- (b) Local group (Ortsgruppe)
- (c) District party control (Partei-kreisleitung)
- (d) Area control (Bezirksleitung)
- (e) Direct from the central committee

The five points mentioned in para. 3 equally apply here.

**5. Volunteers.**

The points in para. 3 apply if anyone volunteers. Volunteers report to their local police station and from there are told where to go.

**6. Basic training.**

All Luftpolizei trainees are first sent to the school at Kamenz II where they are incorporated in a "Sonder-Battalion", consisting of three companies of 150-200 men each. They stay 4 to 6 weeks at Kamenz II where they receive the necessary basic training.

**7. Subsequent training.**

At the end of the training at Kamenz II, the trainees are posted to one of the following HVL units:

HVL Johannistal (Headquarters)  
Kamenz I (Ground training)  
Kamenz II (Flying training)  
Pirna  
Bautzen.

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On arrival, they receive training in one of the following specialities:

- Pilot
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- Mechanic
- Radio and telephone operator
- Aircraft electrician
- Firemen

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